

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 9 as follows:

Shared File Systems (SFS) is a term applied to IBM's System/390 (S/390) system for sharing data among virtual machines. IBM's DB2 has been adapted for this type of data sharing in a Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS/Enterprise Systems Architectures (ESA) environment by using IBM's coupling facility to create multi-system data sharing.